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Remarks

A. <u>Pending Claims</u>

Claims 1019-1058 are pending in the application. Claims 54-58, 61-63, 66-68, 70-73, 75-96, and 1016-1018 have been cancelled. Claims 1019-1058 are new.

B. Examiner Interview

Applicant's undersigned attorney and Applicant's agent (Neal E. Persky, Reg. No. 53,452) conducted a phone interview with Examiner Robin Waller as well as her supervisor on December 22, 2004. In the interview, Examiner Waller stated that claims 70 and 71 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim language was also discussed.

Claims 1019-1058 are new. New independent claim 1019 includes features from objected to cancelled dependent claim 70. New independent claim 1039 includes features from objected to cancelled dependent claim 71. Applicant submits that new claims 1019 and 1039 and the claims dependent thereon, are in condition for allowance.

C. Conclusion

Applicant submits that the claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Applicant believes that no fees are due at this time; however, if any fees are required, please appropriately charge or credit those fees to MEYERTONS, HOOD, KIVLIN, KOWERT & GOETZEL Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5777-00201/EBM.

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